ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಎಂ. ನರಸಿಂಹಯ್ಯ—ಎಷ್ಟು ಫ್ಯಾಕ್ಟರಿ ಗಳಿವೆ ಎಂಬುದನ್ನು ಹೇಳಬಲ್ಲಿರಾ?

Sri M. N. NAGHNOOR.—I Cannot give details. But there are a number of factories.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ ಎಂ. ನರಸಿಂಹಯ್ಯ ನೀರಿನ ಅಭಾವ ಬಹಳ ಜಾಸ್ತಿಯಾಗಿ ರೇಟ್ಸ್ ಜಾಸ್ತಿಯಾಗಿವೆ ಎನ್ನು ಪುದು ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಗಮನಕ್ಕೆ ಬಂದಿದೆಯೇ?

Sri M. N. NAGHNOOR.—It may be Sir. But we are not aware and as a matter of fact, with regard to supply of electricity, we cannot do anything in the matter.

Schemes dropped due to shortage of Foreign Exchange.

Q.—3784. Sri M. C. NARASIMHAN (Kolar Gold Fields).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether on account of Foreign Exchange shortage the Government have been advised to drop or slow down schemes of development in the Private or Public Sector proposed for the next year, *i e.*, 1958-59;

(*b*) if so, which are the schemes affected or dropped Details of schemes under Private Sector and Public Sector may be furnished);

(*c*) the amouut of Foreign Exchange allotted for the Private and public sectors separately for the year 1958-59?

A.—Sri B. D. JATTI (Chief Minister).-

(*a*) We have been advised that no scheme involving foreign exchange on which a substantial staff has not already been made should be included in the Plan and that the requirements of foreign exchange for schemes on which a substantial start has already been made should be reviewed.

(*b*) No scheme included in the Plan has been substantially affected or dropped.

(*c*) The Plan Programme for 1958-59 (copies of which have already been distributed to the members) has been framed in consultation with the Government of India and they have agreed to allot the foreign exchange required for its execution as and when required.

Sri M. C. NARASIMHAN.—Supplementary to (c) Sir. This is not the answer. I want to know what exatly is the foreign exchange for 1958-59 for the private sector and for the public sector.

Sri B. D. JATTI.—Originally it was computed at 223 lakhs. Revised information has not been received by us.

Sri M. C. NARASIMHAN.—I want the distribution between the private sector and the public sector in respect of the allocation of the foreign exchange.

Sri B. D. JATTI.—That is not with me.

Sri J. B. MALLARADHYA.—What is the total amount of foreign exchange alloted to this Government and when will it be intimated to this Government?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—Recently we had a disussion with the Government of India and I may tell you that it will be finalised within a fortnight or so.

Workshop maintained by the Agriculture Department.

Q.—3875. Dr. R. NAGAN GOWDA (Hospet).—

Will the Government be pleased to sate:—

(*a*) whether there was a workshop maintained by the Department of Agriculture to attend to repairs and upkeep of tractors and other agricultural implements and bull-dozers in Bellary on 1.10-1953;

(*b*) the value of machinery, spare parts etc., existing in hat workshop;

(*c*) whether the workshop is still at Bellary and what is the staff that is attached to it?

A.—Sri K. F. PATIL (Minister for Agriculture and Food).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) About Rs. 30,000.

(*c*) No.

Dr. R. NAGAN GOWDA.—I want to know whether there were any tractors in Bellary District on 1st October 1953; if so, how many; and how many are there now?

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಎಫ್. ಪಾಟೀಲ್.—ಆ ಹೊತ್ತು ಐದು ಟ್ರಾಕ್ಟರುಗಳೂ, ಒಂದು ಬುಲ್‌ಡೋಜರೂ ಇದ್ದುವು. ಅವು ಕೆಲಸಮಾಡುವಂಥ ಸ್ಥಿತಿಯಲ್ಲಿರಲಿಲ್ಲ ನಾಲ್ಕು ಕಟ್ಟುಹೋಗಿ ಒಂದು ಮಾತ್ರ ಒಳ್ಳೆಯ ಸ್ಥಿತಿಯಲ್ಲಿತ್ತು.

Dr. R. NAGAN GOWDA.—How many are there now ?

Sri K. F. PATIL.—One tractor and one bull-dozer.

Dr. R. NAGAN GOWDA.—Is there no need for a workshop to repair these bull-dozers and tractors and other agricultural machinery in Bellary District today ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಎಫ್. ಪಾಟೀಲ್ —ಎಲ್ಲಕಡೆಗೂ ಇದೆ. ಬಳ್ಳಾರಿಗೂಕೂಡ ಅವಶ್ಯಕತೆ ಇದೆ.

Construction of Building for Central Pharmacy at Bangalore.

Q.—4111. Sri R. M. PATIL (Navalgund).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the stage at which the implementation of the scheme of establishing a Central Pharmacy at Bangalore is pending;

(*b*) whether the plans and estimates of the said building are ready ;

(*c*) if not, the difficulties to get them prepared early ?

A.—Sri K. K. HEGDE (Minister for Health).—

(*a*) Central Pharmacy has since been opened in the premises of Shri Jayachamarajendra Institute of Indian medicine, Bangalore.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) Selection of a site for construction of the building is under consideration.

Sri R. M. PATIL.—May I know within how many days the site will be selected ?

*Sri K. K. HEGDE.—The joint inspection has been fixed for 28th November 1958. After the site is finalised, the other matters will be taken up.

Sri G. B. SHANKAR RAO.—What would be the estimated cost of the construction of the building ?

Mr. SPEAKER.—There is no site as yet.

Sri G. DUGGAPPA.—For how long this question of selection of site is pending before the Government ?

Sri K. K. HEGDE.—It is only last April the herb garden site was selected. The building is expected to be in the site of the herb garden and it is being examined.

SHORT NOTICE QUESTION AND ANSWER.

Measures taken to check the rise in the Prices of Foodgrains.

Q.—1 Sri M. C. NARASIMHAN (Kolar Gold Fields).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether they are aware of the sharp rise in the prices of foodgrains in in the State during the recent months ;

(*b*) whether they will furnish details of market prices prevailing in different regions of the State ;

(*c*) the steps taken to arrest the rise in prices and to make available to the public, food grains at reasonable and fair prices ?

A.—Sri K. F. PATIL (Minister for Agriculture and Food).—

(*a*) There has been no abnormal increase in the price of foodgrains since the last harvest. The movement of foodgrain prices in Mysore during 1958 does not show any great divergence from the all India movement of prices of cereals.

(*b*) Statements showing the prices of rice, ragi and jola from January 1958 to October 1958, as compared to the prices that prevailed during the corresponding period in 1957, in all the districts are placed on the Table of the House.

(*c*) With a view to stabilise the prices of foodgrains, dehusked rice of II variety has been made available by the Government for sale to *bona fide* consumers through Fair Price Shops at two seers per rupee.

Sri M. C. NARASIMHAN.—May I know how many fair price depots are there in existence and what is the quantity of rice and other foodgrains distributed through them ?